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Church of Our Lady of Sorrows

Beautiful Santa Barbara Church Replaces One Destroyed in 1925

Earthquake Disaster

When, on June 29, 1925, an earthquake spread ruin throughout Santa Barbara, Our Lady of Sorrows church did not escape the general devastation and it was consequently necessary to hold temporarily all the parish services in the old St. Aloysius hall. Since December 8, 1926, when the new parish school was completed, Mass and other religious functions have been taking place in the school auditorium.

Although it made a splendid chapel the auditorium was not the church that the parishioners longed for, and as a result of this desire and need, every effort was made to find ways and means of financing a new church.

Sell Old Property

In the latter part of 1927, therefore, negotiations were begun with A. R. Demory and eastern capitalists, to take over the old parochial school property on Figueroa and Anacapa streets. In March, 1928, things were satisfactorily settled and plans for a new church were rushed to completion by the architect.

After much thought it was decided to place the church at an angle of 45 degrees, facing the intersection of Sola and Anacapa streets. Apart from the novelty and the beauty of this site, the main reason for this

position was economy of space. Placed as it is, the church allows the building of the girls' high school just east of the church, corresponding to the residence on the south.

Ground Breaking

The ground breaking ceremony took place on June 10. The Knights of Columbus, Catholic Daughters of America, Men and Women Foresters, Ancient Order of Hibernians and parish sodalities marched in procession behind the Boys' Band from the school grounds to the site of the new church, where a platform had been prepared for the speakers.

The ceremony of blessing and dedicating the site was performed by Father John C. Grisez, pastor of the parish, who also, in a few words, welcomed the large crowd that had gathered for their splendid co-operation and asked for their continued support.

Ex-Mayor H. A. Adrian then gave a splendid address in which he heartily commended the work of the Church in Santa Barbara, and congratulated the congregation on the great undertaking they were about to begin.

Actual Work Starts

Mayor T. Finley then said a few words about the proposed building and then proceeded to turn over the first shovelful of soil.

Actual work on the new church began the next day, June 11, and since that time, each month and each week and each day has added something new of interest, till at the present time the church is all but completed, and without doubt will be ready for the celebration of Easter.

The indirect lighting system has been chosen for the new church. A series of strong electric lamps and X-Ray reflectors has been placed at the foot of each of the clerestory windows to illuminate the main body of the church. It is expected that this lighting system will furnish a soothing light for worshipers within, and that from the outside it will make the windows stand out as jewels.

The same lighting effect will be used in the lower part or main floor of the church, for the shrines, confessional-alcoves and side altars by placing similar lights and reflectors at the base of the large windows. Complementary to the cove lighting is a very large and artistic chandelier at the intersection of the nave and transepts; this chandelier is equipped with several combinations of switching for various lighting effects and a spotlight to illuminate the Monstrance during the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Beautiful Windows

All the windows in the church will be of leaded glass; the thirty-two clerestory windows are of various shades of amber, with the emblem in the upper part and the donor's inscription below. The thirty large windows of the church are group figure windows, representing the fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary in the main body of the church, and other appropriate groupings in the Baptistery, Grotto of Our Lady of Sorrows and the Sacred Heart and Little Flower transepts. There are also four large rose windows, representing God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost, and Our Lady of Sorrows respectively.

There are five marble altars, all consisting of well selected European marble of various colors beautifully harmonized. The artistically inlaid panels at the base of the altars, give a very pleasing effect. The altar rail and pulpit, likewise of marble, are real works of art. The rail, extending across the church to the

transept walls, is 86 feet long without a break.

Romanesque Architecture

The general style of architecture is Romanesque. While every effort has been made to avoid crowding ornamentation, it is believed that the church will be interesting, exteriorly as well as interiorly, from every point of view. Very little decorating has been done, as it is expected that the many art glass windows will furnish all the color desired; the tint of the walls was put into the plaster itself, and is therefore permanent.

The most interesting feature of the exterior of the church will undoubtedly be the tower, which is not a spire, but of octagonal shape ending in a flame about thirty feet above the roof, and is richly outlined in ornamental stone. The three bells that were used in the old church are ready for service in this beautiful tower.

The type of construction is unique, being the only one of its kind in Santa Barbara and probably in the country.

Safe From Earthquakes

It is most highly approved of by the city authorities, and was especially designed to meet the possible emergencies of earthquake and fire. The frame is of heavy steel, well braced in every direction. The studding is metal, spotwelded to the frame and covered with a special type of building paper. The metal lath is wired to the studding and covered with three coats of stucco. The inside wall is treated in a similar manner, leaving an air space between the inner and outer walls. This air space, it is hoped, will serve as a cushion for sound, and will hold the temperature within the building. Thus the construction is very light and pliable, and in an earthquake shake it will give in any direction, so that nothing can break or collapse.

To assure good acoustics in the church, acoustic plaster has been used to cover the entire ceiling and the walls down to the impost mould.

New Rectory Built

Since 1925, too, the Fathers have been without a proper home, having been forced by circumstances to live in different parts of the city. This condition of affairs necessitated speedy action; hence plans for the

new residence were rushed, and the work of building was begun in October, 1926. The building was ready for occupancy at the beginning of March, 1927.

The new residence is of frame and stucco with metal lath and asbestos roof. Ample room has been provided for teachers for a boys' high school, which will be started in Santa Barbara.

The living rooms, though small, are quite comfortable. The arrangement of kitchen, dining room and library is very practical, and gives all the comforts of home. At the main entrance there is the pastor's office and four parlors for visitors.

El Retiro

Father Stack to South

Father Joseph R. Stack was commandeered to give two missions during the "Mission Drive" in the Los Angeles diocese this Lent, the first at the Cathedral and the second at the Blessed Sacrament church, Hollywood. Each mission was of two weeks duration.

Retreat Directors

Father James Hayes, Superior of Bellarmine Preparatory school, gave the retreat of February 28; Father Joseph R. Crowley, pastor of St. Joseph's church, San Jose, directed the retreat of March 7. This was Father Crowley's first retreat at "El Retiro."

Fourth Annual Banquet

Three hundred and thirteen men sat down at the fourth annual banquet of the Retreat Association at the Palace Hotel on Tuesday evening, January 29. As always, the retreat banquet has an atmosphere all its own, a spiritual atmosphere consequent upon the character and quality of the men who compose the organization.

The Hon. J. P. Kavanaugh of Portland was the chief speaker of the evening and his address was listened to with marked attention and interest. The Association was favored also by a thoughtful analysis of religious and social conditions by Mr. Michael Williams, editor of the "Commonweal." Father Maher of the Retreat House also spoke, and His Grace the Archbishop brought the evening to a close with a most touching and sincere expression of grati-

tude to the Fathers of "El Retiro" for the splendid cooperation they were giving him in his great task of guiding this portion of the Church entrusted to him.

Mt. St. Michael's Sodality Academy

On Saturday evening, March 23, Bellarmine hall was the scene of a "live-wire" sodality convention, carried out along the lines of those held by Father Daniel Lord.

The convention was opened by all singing one of Father Lord's parodies. Then followed rapid fire discussions of three topics of vital interest to directors in our schools. Each speaker was allowed one minute.

The discussion of the first topic, "The Requirements for Membership in Our High School Sodalities," centered chiefly around the point whether or not a high scholastic standing should be one of the requirements. The majority felt that it should not. As one speaker pointed out, if a superlative scholastic standing is not a "sine qua non" for entrance into the Society, it hardly should be so for our sodalities.

"The Relation of the Sodality to Athletics," likewise drew forth pointed statements. The majority favored an indirect relation, i. e. praying for the success of the team; instilling into sodalist athletes high moral principles, that by their example many well known abuses may be stopped, etc.

The third topic, "The Sodality and Social Events," was the most hotly discussed of all. If any consensus of opinion could be made, it would be that the majority favored the intermingling of some social events with serious business, as a means of making the meetings and sodality activities more attractive.

Between the discussions, another parody was sung, and an announcement made that the next and last meeting of the year would be a three act play presented by members of the second year, portraying the reorganization of a high school sodality. The "Ave Maris Stella" closed the successful convention.

This was but one more fruitful attempt of our moderator, Mr. N. P. McManus, to give our academy a practical turn, by not only pointing

out the method to be followed in running sodality meetings and conventions, but through these "model meetings," showing us how it should be done.

Bishop Armstrong's Visit

On Friday afternoon, March 15, Rt. Rev. R. J. Armstrong paid us a visit. All the Fathers and scholastics, assembled in the scholastics' recreation room, where his Lordship met each one personally, remarking, "Why you have them here from all over the world."

Then he gave us a short, friendly talk, expressing the hope of having some of us as laborers in future years to help him in the care of his vast "mission" diocese, and won the whole hearted support of the Scholastics, when in conclusion he exercised as he termed it, "the eighth power of a Bishop," by granting a holiday, which we enjoyed the following day.

Kellogg Pact Debate

"Was it for the Best Interests of the United States to Sign the Kellogg Pact?" was the question around which raged an interesting forensic battle in Bellarmine Hall, March 13. Messrs C. Thensted and J. J. O'Donnell of the affirmative, and Messrs. H. Griggs and J. J. Preston of the negative battled to a deadlock tie of 25-25—one of the few such decisions ever returned in the history of the Academy.

Philosophy Academy

The true versus the false conception of the age old question of morality, was considered by Mr. E. S. Flajole, in his paper, "Is Morality An Art?" read at the March meeting of the Academy.

Spring Disputations

On Saturday, March 23, the assignments for the Spring disputation were announced. In Cosmology, Disputation I, Mr. J. J. Sullivan will defend, Messrs W. G. Coyle and J. T. McGuigan will object. Disputation II, Mr. T. A. Lynch will defend, Messrs. S. J. Coogan and G. A. Kmiecik will object. In Logic and Ontology, Mr. B. I. Sheerin will defend, Messrs. B. Cloran and I Glennie will object. A paper entitled, "The Natural Sciences and Cosmology," will be read by Mr. R. J. Mullin. In the evening a scientific lecture, "Glacier National

Park," will be delivered by Mr. H. F. Smith.

Loyola University

First Unit Completed

The Faculty building, the first unit of the new university at Del Rey, is now almost finished.

Work on the Arts building is progressing. If sufficient money can be raised to ensure its completion, it is planned to have this second building ready for occupancy by September.

Bellarmino College

Sodality Conference Held

Father James Donnelly of the Missouri Province, who has been touring a large section of America in sodality work, held a conference at St. Leo's with an attendance of 250 students. In the course of these talks, organization, leadership and the value of the different subdivisions were dealt with. Personal impression of prayers, morals, and the Sodality were given also by the students.

Annual Public Debate

St. Leo's auditorium was, on March 11, the scene of the annual public debate. This debate is a part of the public speaking program of Bellarmine high school. The question was concerned with the relative merits of American and English democracy. The debate was between members of the student body.

Students to Speak on Constitution

Many students of Bellarmine intend entering the sectional division of the National oratorical contest.

Novena of Grace

The Novena of Grace in honor of St. Francis Xavier was held during the nine days prior to March 12 at St. Leo's church. Large congregations attended the discourses which were given by Father Largan.

General Lenihan Honored

To honor General Michael J. Lenihan of Fort Lewis before his retirement from military service, Father David McAstocker and the Fathers of St. Leo's were hosts at a dinner given, on March 19, in the hall of the school. A program of talks and music was a feature of the evening. General Lenihan has been a great friend of St. Leo's and Bellarmine.

Army Chaplain

Father John McAstocker has been appointed chaplain of the 148th Field Artillery with the usual rating of captain.

Bellarmino Scholarships

A number of permanent scholarships for deserving students is the aim of the Fathers and friends of Bellarmino. It is hoped that as many as thirty may be secured during the next few years. Already substantial amounts have been received.

Sacred Heart Novitiate

Academy in Pope's Honor

The juniors and novices, acting in accordance with the wishes of Very Rev. Father General that the Jubilee of our Holy Father Pius XI be observed throughout the Society with some special marks of honor, presented an academy on March 18 as their little contribution to the celebration.

The general theme of the whole academy was the Kingdom of Christ and the untiring efforts of the Sovereign Pontiff for its spread. The institution of the feast of Christ the King, the Aloysian Crusade, his zealous missionary endeavors, and other such "high lights" of Pius XI's administration were commemorated in the various numbers.

The program, though simple, was nevertheless very impressive and entertaining, and coming between two feast days, gave us a triduum of vacation.

Two Pronounce First Vows

Brother Charles J. McKee, scholastic novice, pronounced his first vows on the feast of St. Joseph; and Brother Lawrence Bies, coadjutor novice, on Palm Sunday.

For Father Master

Another fine entertainment was staked by the novices on the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, March 7, in honor of their Novice-master, Father Thomas Meagher. Aside from the complete success of the program in every respect, Superiors' hearts were cheered at the exhibition of much promising talent.

Sacramento, March 21

Father Thomas Meagher preached the sermon at the installation of Rt. Rev. Bishop Armstrong at Sacramento on March 21. This sermon,

delivered at the express request of the Bishop, marked Father's first appearance in the pulpit since he was taken from the Mission band some five years ago to fill the post of Master of Novices.

New Arrivals

Two more applicants for the Brotherhood, Brother Maynard and Brother Rooney, entered during March. Brother Maynard of San Jose read Father Thornton's article on the life of a Lay-brother in the March issue of the St. Joseph's Bulletin and obeyed the call. Brother Rooney, of Wallace, Idaho, has worked for the past two years on the tunnel being constructed in the Cascade mountains of western Washington. His arrival at the present time is very opportune, since, being skilled in the use of explosives, he can help us clear away in a few months the hill alongside the Novitiate which threatened to take a longer time.

Santa Clara

Munich Educators Pay Visit

The President of Munich University, Franz Diss, and Professor Alfred Luedke, professor of art at the same European university, visited Santa Clara on February 17 to study the mission architecture represented in the new Mission Chapel and to see other old Spanish-California art treasures here.

Mr. Diss and Professor Luedke brought the famous Madonna di Gaeta, one of Rafael's original masterpieces to this country with them. Both of the visitors are authorities on art, and while in the United States are making a special study of American art.

Give Book to University Library

Professor Luedke is one of the principal authors of "Madonna di Gaeta, Tratises and Expertises," a critical study of the picture which he and his companion brought to this country, and while here he donated a valuable copy of the work to the college library.

Father Chiappa Buried

The late Father Vincent Chiappa, former minister of the University of Santa Clara, who died at Loyola college, Los Angeles, was buried in the Fathers' plot of the Santa Clara

Catholic cemetery February 16, at 10 o'clock.

U. C. Considers Santa Clara System

Admission to the University of California from high schools will hereafter be granted on a basis the same as that which has always been in use at Santa Clara, if plans discussed at a recent meeting of high school principals, the president of California and a committee representing the University Senate, are adopted.

The new plan will not require the recommendation of the high school principal for all subjects, and admission will only be granted on presentation of credits in certain required subjects. This is essentially the plan of admission always followed at Santa Clara.

Santa Claran Sponsors Labor Rights

Declaring that he realized many of the members of the Nevada state senate were hostile to the enactment of labor legislation, Senator Michael Elmo James, student at the University of Santa Clara in 1912-14, served notice on his colleagues recently that he did not propose to see legislative bills designed to aid the working man go down to death without a battle.

His remarks brought consideration for some labor measures which the senate had previously voted indefinitely postponed, and James has been chosen to lead the champions of labor in the Nevada legislature.

After two terms in the assembly of his home state, the people of Storey county elected him to the senate last November. His home is at Virginia City.

Students To Visit Business Houses

Under the supervision of Professors Frederick C. Sauer and Edward J. Kelly, the Junior and Senior members of the College of Business Administration will, in the near future, make an inspection trip to various business establishments of the San Francisco metropolitan district.

Books Given To Library

Among the books received at the University Library recently are several important works upon electricity and one of the latest volumes upon radio.

"Principles of Radio Communication" is the title of the work on radio, and it was written by J. H.

Morecraft, professor of electrical engineering at Columbia University and Past President of the Institute of Radio Engineers.

Some of the other books are "The Electric Circuit" by V. Karapetoff; "Electric Circuits and Machinery," by J. H. Morecraft and F. W. Hæbre; and "Steam, Air and Gas Power" by W. H. Severns and Howard E. Degler, both of the University of Illinois.

The library also has recently made additions to its priceless collection of books and sketches on early California history and romance by the acquisition of several late works on the early days of the state.

Gonzaga University

New Bishop Pontificates

Before a great crowd among whom were numbered relatives, friends, many members of the clergy and students of Gonzaga, the newly consecrated Bishop of Sacramento, Rt. Rev. Robert J. Armstrong, D. D., celebrated his first pontifical mass in St. Aloysius church, Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

Immediately following the Mass, the students of Gonzaga held an informal reception for the new Prelate in the St. Aloysius Little Theatre. John Kennedy, president of the Senior class, welcomed the former Gonzagan in the name of the students, and the recently organized glee club made its first appearance in public, favoring the distinguished gathering with several vocal selections. The orchestra from Mount St. Michael's Scholasticate furnished music for the dinner and for the reception and entertainment which followed. Speakers for the occasion were some of Bishop Armstrong's old classmates, who narrated humorous anecdotes of the old days at Gonzaga. The list of speeches were brought to a close by the Bishop himself who thanked all for the wonderful reception they had given him. His short talk reached a grand climax when, using one of his extra-territorial powers not strictly conferred with consecration, he granted a holiday to the students of the university.

Founder's Day is Celebrated

In accordance with a custom inaugurated last year, Founder's Day was celebrated this year on March 17.

Father Cataldo, Gonzaga's founder, was born on March 17, 1837, and this day is held to commemorate his great deeds in the pioneer Northwest. This time the day was marked by Mass in St. Aloysius church, followed by a short talk to the student body by the president of the Senior class.

Father McNamara, Alumni secretary, is endeavoring to sponsor a universal Gonzaga Day, on which occasion all who have ever been students will gather to celebrate the birthday of Father Cataldo. These graduates would come together in their various communities and discuss a subject common to all, namely their Alma Mater. Universal day has been tried before in other colleges and has proved to be very successful.

Novena of Grace Attracts Crowds

The Novena of Grace held recently at St. Aloysius church was a notable indication of the deep faith of the Catholics of Spokane. The exercises of the Novena, conducted three times each day, were unusually well attended, the numbers exceeding the most sanguine expectations. At noon one of the Fathers preached a short sermon and after reciting the prayers of the Novena, blessed those present both collectively and individually with the relic of St. Francis. A like service took place at three-thirty in the afternoon, and in the evening the closing exercise of the day was concluded by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Confessions were most abundant during the Novena and the climax was reached on the last day when the whole congregation went to Holy Communion in a body. The exercises of the Novena were conducted by Father John J. Keep and Father James A. Gilmore. A conservative estimate placed the numbers of those who made the Novena at three thousand.

Cataldo Parlor Re-Decorated

A very special feature of the recently re-decorated Father Cataldo parlor is a bust of the venerable missionary sculptured from a picture which appeared in the Gonzaga Quarterly for March, 1928. This excellent likeness is the work of Marguerite Harris of Spokane and is reputed by all who have seen it, to be a truly representative reproduc-

tion of the features of Gonzaga's founder.

Alaska Missions

Describes Scenes of Suffering

From the interior of Alaska where smallpox and chickenpox have made ravages among the Eskimos during the past five months, Father Martin Lennoux writes a description of the scenes of suffering. Father Lennoux has distributed his own food and medicine to widowed mothers and their children. He says: "Aeroplanes have brought medicines from the outside, but not as far inland as this district. What we need most is food and clothing. Many families are facing starvation. The epidemic broke out early in October. The men were stricken and could not go out to gather fuel or set the traps. Fuel is so scarce in these parts that it takes four days to gather a dog-sledful of branches, and, mind you branches no larger around than your finger. Fire is made only to boil water twice a day for tea—just something warm. The rest of the time the huts are icy cold. The children especially suffer. Many have scarcely any clothing. The plight of widowed mothers with little children is heart-rending. In one hut I found a sick mother with five small children. The ground was wet. Water was dripping through an opening in the roof of the hut where a piece of ice had been fitted to let in a little light. Today an Alaskan blizzard is in full force. I am helping the most destitute. But my own supply of food and medicine paid for by friends in the States, will hardly hold out until Easter. Can you send me enough to buy at least a little flour and tea for the neediest families?"

St. Ignatius College

Second Sodality Convention

Continuing the work of Father Daniel Lord, Father Doyle of St. Louis organized a second Sodality Convention which was a complete success. Representatives from all Catholic schools of the district crowded the college auditorium for the full day session.

Many Minister in South

As many of the Fathers as could be spared for the time from their

duties in the city took part in the extensive retreat and mission work going on in the southern California diocese. Father W. Boland of Seattle gave the annual retreat to the College students.

Present Sacred Play

The College Players presented a religious play this month written by Monsignor Benson entitled "The Upper Chamber." Critical comment was quite favorable.

Oberammergau Described

Father Bernard Hubbard of Santa Clara gave two very interesting lectures on Oberammergau. The first lecture was on the village and its people, while the second was on the Passion Play itself.

Debaters Active

The annual McKinley debate for a gold medal was held in the college auditorium on March 22. The high school "House" debated Bellarmine Prep. in San Jose on the same evening upon "Mussolini."

News Jottings From Other Provinces

ROME

On October 3, 1928, the Holy Father gave Father General a Motu Proprio on the union of the Biblical and Oriental Institutes with the Gregorian University. The main thought of the Motu Proprio is the establishing of a great "University for all Ecclesiastical Studies," which will be able to meet all the requirements of the present day.

At the end of November, 1928, Father Hagen presented the tenth last volume of the Vatican "Astrographic Zone" to the Holy Father. This marked the completion of the great work for which Father Hagen was called to Rome from Georgetown, 22 years ago, by Pope Pius X. Thus the Vatican Observatory has finished its part of the great enterprise which was shared in by the world's most famous observatories.

NEW ENGLAND

The recent ordination to the priesthood of twin brothers, alumni of Canisius College, Buffalo, gave a new publicity to their Alma Mater. It is claimed that this is the first time that this has happened in America. Woodstock will soon parallel this with the ordination of Messrs C. A. and A. C. Roth.

MARYLAND-N. Y.

The visit of Professor H. H. Turner, president of the International Seismology Association, and Professor of Astronomy at Oxford University, to the Fordham Seismograph Station elicited the following praise, "I know of no station that has better equipment." Recently, Mr. John Tynan, who is in charge of the sta-

tion, spoke before the Bronx Rotary Club, on "Fordham and Seismology."

The winter series of lectures under the auspices of the School of Foreign Service of Georgetown University began on January 31, with Father Walsh as lecturer. The topic was "Russia and the Revolution." Sir Bernard Pares, an authority on Russia, gave the lecture of February 7, his topic being "Eleven Years of Bolshevism—Russia in 1929."

CHICAGO

Some two decades ago, Mr. Michael Cudahy gave Loyola University its Science building, and now Edward A. Cudahy is in negotiation with Father Kelley in regard to donating a library building. It was announced recently that Mr. Cudahy is willing to go to \$300,000, instead of his first offer of a quarter of a million. The plans are awaiting the approval of the Father General. Allowing for delays the building is expected to be occupied by next January.

Deaths in the Provinces

Brother Jeremiah McSweeney,
March 6, Holy Cross, Alaska.
(Cal.)

Father Thomas Livingstone, Mar.
19, St. Ignatius, Chicago. (Mo.)

The sister of Father John A. Post, Sister Adrienne Post of the Congregation of Christian Doctrine, who died in Europe on February 24, is recommended to the prayers of Ours.